

104TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 404

To consolidate the administration of defense economic conversion activities
in the Executive Office of the President.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 14 (legislative day, JANUARY 30), 1995

Ms. SNOWE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

To consolidate the administration of defense economic
conversion activities in the Executive Office of the President.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. CONSOLIDATION OF ADMINISTRATION OF DE-**
4 **FENSE ECONOMIC CONVERSION ACTIVITIES**
5 **IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESI-**
6 **DENT.**

7 (a) CONSOLIDATION OF PROGRAMS.—The President
8 shall consolidate within, and coordinate through, the Exec-
9 utive Office of the President all defense conversion, rein-

1 vestment, and transition assistance programs of the De-
2 partment of Defense.

3 (b) ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL ASSISTANT.—(1)
4 For a five-year period beginning on the date of the enact-
5 ment of this Act, there is established in the Executive Of-
6 fice of the President a Special Assistant to the President
7 for Economic and Defense Conversion who shall be re-
8 sponsible for coordinating all defense conversion, reinvest-
9 ment, and transition assistance programs. The Special As-
10 sistant shall also be a member of the National Economic
11 Council in the Executive Office of the President.

12 (2) The Special Assistant for Economic and Defense
13 Conversion shall have the authority to bring interagency
14 disputes regarding defense conversion, reinvestment, and
15 transition assistance programs directly to the President
16 for resolution based on the recommendations of the Spe-
17 cial Assistant.

18 (c) TRANSFER OF OFFICE OF ECONOMIC ADJUST-
19 MENT.—During such period, the Secretary of Defense
20 shall transfer the Office of Economic Adjustment of the
21 Department of Defense to the jurisdiction of the National
22 Economic Council in the Executive Office of the President.

23 (d) TRANSFER OF ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS
24 AGENCY.—During such period, the Secretary of Defense
25 shall transfer the Advanced Research Projects Agency of

1 the Department of Defense to the jurisdiction of the Na-
2 tional Economic Council in the Executive Office of the
3 President.

4 (e) TRANSFER OF ECONOMIC CONVERSION INFORMA-
5 TION EXCHANGE.—During such period, the Secretary of
6 Commerce shall transfer the Economic Conversion Infor-
7 mation Exchange of the Department of Commerce to the
8 jurisdiction of the National Economic Council in the Exec-
9 utive Office of the President.

10 (f) TIME FOR TRANSFERS.—The transfers required
11 by subsections (c) and (d) shall be made not later than
12 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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